



CROSS CREEK

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the LORD our Maker!*
for He is our God!

Psalm 95:6-7a

JUNE 25, 2023

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Greeting

Call to Worship

Psalm 61:1-4

Hear my cry, O God, listen to my prayer; from the end of the earth I call to you when my heart is faint. Lead me to the rock that is higher than I, for you have been my refuge, a strong tower against the enemy. Let me dwell in your tent forever! Let me take refuge under the shelter of your wings!

Invocation

* Hymn # 80

“Lord, with Glowing Heart I’d Praise Thee”

Call to Confession

Psalm 62:8

Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 62:1-2

For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation. He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken.

* Hymn # 92

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

The Living Church – Baptism

* Hymn # 535

“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!”

* Old & New Testament Scripture Reading:

Law: *Genesis 3:20-24* (Love and Justice)

Epistles: *Romans 12:9-21* (Love and Vengeance)

1 Corinthians 10:1-5 (Christ, the Rock)

* **Pastor:** This is the Word of our God.

* **Congregation:** The grass withers, the flower fades, but the Word of our God stands forever.

Affirmation of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism, Lord’s Day 26 (Q & A 69-71)

Q. How does holy baptism remind and assure you that Christ’s one sacrifice on the cross benefits you personally?

A. In this way: Christ instituted this outward washing and with it promised that, as surely as water washes away the dirt from the body, so certainly his blood and his Spirit wash away my soul’s impurity, that is, all my sins.

Q. What does it mean to be washed with Christ’s blood and Spirit?

* *Indicates Please Stand if Able*

A. To be washed with Christ's blood means that God, by grace, has forgiven our sins because of Christ's blood poured out for us in his sacrifice on the cross. To be washed with Christ's Spirit means that the Holy Spirit has renewed and sanctified us to be members of Christ, so that more and more we become dead to sin and live holy and blameless lives.

Q. Where does Christ promise that we are washed with his blood and Spirit as surely as we are washed with the water of baptism?

A. In the institution of baptism, where he says: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." "The one who believes and is baptized will be saved; but the one who does not believe will be condemned." This promise is repeated when Scripture calls baptism "the water of rebirth" and the washing away of sins.

Pastoral Prayer

* Hymn Supplement pg. 73

"Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery"

Tithes and Offerings

* Hymn # 735

"Gloria Patri"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end, amen, amen.

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

* Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Series: Judges

* Sermon Text

Judges 15:1-20

* **Pastor:** Thus far the reading of God's holy Word. And may God add His blessing to the reading of His Word.

* **Congregation:** Thanks be to God!

Sermon Title: "Of Foxes & Fire"

Pastor Michael Mock

Sermon Outline: Next page

Prayer for Transformation

Lord's Supper: Divine Vengeance Satisfied

* Eucharistic Hymn # 420

"At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

* Benediction

* Departing Hymn # 731

“Doxology”

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Sermon Outline:

Sermon Text: *Judges 15:1-20* “Of Foxes & Fire”

The LORD maneuvers human efforts at vengeance to bring about both divine vengeance and satisfying salvation.

1. “Vengeance Is Mine,” Saith the Blind (vv. 1-13)

- a. Eye-for-Eye Theology (vv. 1-8)
 - i. **Application:** The world’s ways of justice are not the Word’s way.
- b. Eyes-for-Eye Theology (vv. 9-13)
 - i. **Application:** When the Church colludes with the world, the world wins.

2. “Vengeance Is Mine,” Saith the Divine (vv. 14-20)

- a. Divine Vengeance (vv. 14-17)
 - i. Justice comes from the LORD.
- b. Satisfying Salvation (vv. 18-20)
 - i. Salvation comes from the LORD.
 - ii. Satisfaction comes from the LORD.
- c. **Application:** Divine vengeance and satisfying salvation are found in the Son alone.

6-25-23	Nursery Schedule		7-2-23
Sunday School	Carling & Alethea	Sunday School	Carling & Jodie
Worship	Jacqui & Bethany & Eleonore	Worship	Joan, Keith & Abby

Today & Weekly

Today

- Pre-Service Prayer Gathering:** 9:00-9:15am in the Library
- ABF:** 9:30am – “The Law of God” in the ABF Room
- Foundations Class:** 9:30 in the sanctuary
- Sunday School:** 9:30am
- Worship:** 10:45am
- Cross Creek Open Bible Fellowship:** 5-7pm at the Adams’ home

Weekly

- Men’s Bible Study:** On break
- Women’s Summer Bible Study:** Tuesdays, 6:30pm at the home of Kathy V
Thursdays, 10am at Cross Creek PCA (with childcare)
- Senior Women’s Fellowship:** Wednesdays, 10am, hosted by Linda T
- Choir Practice:** Wednesdays, 7:00pm (childcare provided)
- Evening Worship:** 1st and 3rd Sunday evenings (and 5th when applicable), 6:30pm. On the first Sunday monthly at 5:30pm, a Fellowship Meal will precede the service and on the 3rd Sunday, the Lord’s Supper will be served.
- Cross Creek Open Bible Fellowship:** 2nd & 4th Sundays, 5-7pm. Please come to the Adams’ home and share a meal, Bible Study and fellowship.

A Note of Thanks from

Dear CCPC Family,

I want to thank everyone so much for the cards and notes and for the beautiful service celebrating’s life. Thank you for the wonderful meal and for all the delicious food you brought and the words of love and encouragement. I am still enjoying the beautiful flowers and plants.

I want to say a special thanks to Seth for moving John’s chair back and forth numerous times, and to Eleonore for all of her special touches with the luncheon, memory boards and many other things.

Thank you all again for turning a difficult time into such a celebration of John’s life. My family and I really felt God’s love through you. Our family truly appreciates your thoughtfulness.

Love,

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Women's Ministry Team Freezer Meal Exchange

The Freezer Meal Exchange is on **Friday, July 14th**. Don't want to participate in the meal exchange? No problem! Please still come and fellowship with us! To participate in the Freezer Meal Exchange RSVP by **Tuesday, July 11th**. We will then contact you with how many participants are in your exchange group and instructions for the exchange. You can RSVP for this event by signing up on the sheet in the Nursery hallway. Refreshments and childcare will be provided.

2023 Vacation Bible School

Having been greatly blessed by VBS last year, we the informal VBS 2023 planning committee, would like to continue the tradition this year. Our tentative dates are **July 24-28 (9:00am-noon)**, and our choice of curriculum focuses on the miracles of Christ, including the miracle of the regeneration of the human heart. We will need about 20 adult/teen participants and enough students to populate the classes. Therefore, if you or your older teen would be available to volunteer, or if you have children who would like to participate, please sign up on the sheet on easel in the narthex, or call/email the church office to be put in touch with a coordinator.